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## Board of Managers.

ROBERT FOSTER, . . . . .	<i>President.</i>
REV. S. H. CAMP, . . . . .	<i>First Vice-President.</i>
JOSIAH T. TUBBY, . . . . .	<i>Second Vice-President.</i>
MISS FANNY HULL, . . . . .	<i>Secretary.</i>
ISAAC H. CARY, JR., . . . . .	<i>Treasurer.</i>



## Additional Directors.

D. B. HALSTEAD, . . . . .	}	1877.
MISS ELIZA JENKINS, . . . . .		
SYLVESTER SWAIN, . . . . .		
REV. H. R. NYE, . . . . .	}	1876.
JOSEPH R. BLOSSOM, . . . . .		
MRS. F. HUSSEY, . . . . .		
REV. A. P. PUTNAM, . . . . .	}	1875.
MRS. ANNA C. FIELD, . . . . .		
WILLIAM C. GARDNER, . . . . .		

# Annual Meeting.

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November 24th, 1874.

The Union met at their Rooms, No. 531 Fulton Street, at 8 o'clock, Rev. STEPHEN H. CAMP, President, occupying the chair.

The exercises were opened with a vocal duet by Miss LESLIE OLIVER and Mrs. J. K. DRAPER, with Piano accompaniment by Mr. H. C. KORTHEUER, after which a portion of Scriptures was read by Rev. Dr. PUTNAM, followed by prayer by Rev. H. R. NYE.

The Treasurer then read his Annual Statement, and the President submitted the Annual Report.

The Nominating Committee presented the following ticket, which was balloted for and declared elected :

For President, . . .	ROBERT FOSTER,
1st Vice-President, . .	Rev. S. H. CAMP,
2d   "           "       "	JOSIAH T. TUBBY,
Secretary, . . . . .	Miss FANNY HULL,
Treasurer, . . . . .	ISAAC H. CARY, Jr.,
Directors—1874 to 1877,	{ D. B. HALSTEAD,
	{ Miss ELIZA JENKINS,
	{ SYLVESTER SWAIN.

The President elect was then called upon for a few remarks, and responded briefly, after which short addresses were delivered by RIPLEY ROPES, Esq., Rev. Mr. CHADWICK, Rev. Dr. PUTNAM, and Rev. Mr. NYE.

Mr. CHADWICK moved that a meeting be held on the second Sunday evening in December, in Dr. PUTNAM's Church, with the object of explaining clearly to the public the workings and requirements of the Union.

Mr. NYE suggested that a meeting be held on the Hill also, and the motion of Mr. CHADWICK was amended, to leave the subject in the hands of the Directors, with the request that the meeting be held at an early date.

The thanks of the audience were tendered to Miss OLIVER, Mrs. DRAPER, and Mr. KORTHEUER, for their excellent music, and after passing a vote to change the night of the Annual Meeting to some Sunday evening in November, the meeting adjourned.

# ANNUAL REPORT

BY

REV. STEPHEN H. CAMP, PRESIDENT.

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LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.—The value of a yearly report from the Board of Managers of this institution is in the fact that this is the most business-like and direct method of showing those who are interested in it, what has been undertaken, what has been accomplished, and also what new demands seem to be made upon us.

Those who work here are rightfully interested to know whether those who supply the necessary means, will think it worth their while, after hearing the report of another year's experience, to continue and increase the work.

The most enthusiastic believers in this Union for Christian Work are those who have the closest identity with its demands, and one of the finest and most significant phases of its success appears in the fact that we have such a devoted, faithful corps of teachers in the various classes connected with our enterprise.

We wish to remind you to-night that the quality of the work done here improves from year to year, the effort is better directed, better organized, and the results are of the most encouraging character. We invite your attention to the evidence of this fact which the records of our classes furnish.

There are now entered on the Book of Record the names of nearly four thousand boys, and with each name there is a brief personal history of each lad. Of course we can directly affect but a small portion of that great number, but the average attendance has been larger this year than ever, and the classes have also been

larger. Our writing class meets twice each week, and we refer you with some degree of pride to what has been accomplished there. This is largely owing to the fidelity and enthusiasm of those who have taught in these classes. Some of our teachers come regularly twice a week to engage in this most promising work. Whether what they do shall be called Christian work or not, they will be likely to testify that it is hard but happy work.

The interest in the drawing class, which also meets once each week, is constant, and even beyond what it has been in former years. The tables are generally entirely occupied by lads who are eager to improve the opportunity offered.

The significance of these facts is not merely that these boys thus learn to write and draw, but personal relations are established between those who teach and those who learn, which are of great importance to both, and through such relations some of our best work is wrought.

We would also invite your attention to the reading-room and library established here. Our attendance thus far in the reading-room has been larger than ever, and we believe the work we are doing in this direction to be of a most worthy character. There is nothing of sectarianism connected with this institution, and it is our aim to make the reading-room an inviting, profitable place to all earnest, inquisitive people. We have this year added a considerable number of books to the library, but we need to do much more to make it all we desire. Another part of the work will be pushed forward just as fast as our means will justify. •

The sewing class has been full of interest, and chiefly needs now the service of teachers. This class meets at 2 o'clock on Saturdays, and it seems to us to be a very interesting and deserving work.

It is pretty evident to those who have the care of this institution, that some special effort must be made to raise more money, or our usefulness must be crippled, and possibly the very life of the Union perilled. In a former report you were told that we had a reserve fund. I feel constrained to call your attention to the fact which appeared in the Treasurer's report, viz., that this last year's necessities have so affected that fund that there is now hardly enough left for a name. Only about three hundred dollars remain, and it



is for the friends of the Union to decide pretty soon whether this grand work shall be allowed to languish for lack of pecuniary support.

During the last year we received \$357 from a dramatic entertainment given by members of the "Amaranth." This would have been much larger but for the almost unheard-of inclemency of the night on which it took place. We know that the times are hard, that there is likely to be much suffering this Winter, that the demands upon our means are likely to be frequent and emphatic. The shiftless, the lazy, and that harder to be reached class, the deserving poor, we shall surely have with us.

But does not this institution have a legitimate claim upon us? Do not its character, its aims, its intentions, its history justify our appeal and your benefactions? I do not believe there is another institution in the land which accomplishes more on the same amount of money than this does. It is absolutely undenominational. The only relation our liberal church has to it is to supply the money and the workers. Can this city well afford to be indifferent to its claims? Our only ambition is to make it in the broadest sense useful. With such a large constituency of boys, is it irrational for us to claim that the opportunity is a grand one?

After eight years of such work as we can show, have we not a right to appeal to the people of this city to ask them to become acquainted with its work and help it forward? I cannot conclude without putting on record here our sense of the great loss the Union has sustained in the death of Mr. CHARLES P. GERRISH. He was one of the earliest, most constant, most generous of its supporters. At one time he was its President, and was always its earnest, devoted friend, ready to give his time, his means, his love to carry forward the work to which we have invited your attention. May his memory quicken us to new zeal, new fidelity and larger generosity.

# UNION FOR CHRISTIAN WORK.

## Treasurer's Annual Statement.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
From Balance of Account 1873.....	\$81.59	For Rent of Rooms.....	\$1,400.00
“ Subscriptions .....	2,509.00	“ Salaries .....	1,207.6
“ Annual Dues.....	78.60	“ Papers and Periodicals.....	237.83
“ Interest on Investments.....	59.11	“ Printing and Advertising.....	131.00
“ Proceeds of Entertainment by members of “Amaranth,” .....	357.77	“ Books for Classes and Library.....	135.71
“ Reserve Fund.....	500.00	“ Class Materials.....	86.65
“ Music Fund.....	50.00	“ Gas and Fuel.....	368.95
“ Sale of Old Furnishings.....	53.61	“ Repairs and Furnishings.....	126.73
	<u>\$3,689.68</u>	“ Sundries .....	57.60
			<u>\$3,752.13</u>
		Balance due Treasurer,	<u>\$62.45</u>
		Balance in Reserve Fund.....	<u>\$400.00</u>

BROOKLYN, Nov. 24th, 1874.

ISAAC H. GARY, Jr., *Treasurer.*

# List of Subscribers for 1873-4.

A. A. LOW.....	\$300.00	THOS. T. SMITH.....	\$20.00
MRS. W. H. CARY....	200.00	E. B. HYDE.....	15.00
“ A. T. BAXTER....	200.00	J. W. STEARNS.....	15.00
ALEX. M. WHITE.....	150.00	GEO. M. OLCOTT.....	15.00
GEO. S. CARY.....	100.00	JAS. CHARLTON.....	10.00
N. H. CARY.....	100.00	J. T. TUBBY.....	10.00
J. W. FROTHINGHAM..	100.00	ROBT. FOSTER.....	10.00
C. P. GERRISH.....	100.00	CHAS. FIELD.....	10.00
E. H. R. LYMAN.....	100.00	MRS. H. FERIS.....	10.00
JAS. S. NOYES.....	100.00	D. LITTLEJOHN.....	10.00
RIPLEY ROPES.....	100.00	SETH LOW.....	10.00
J. P. ROBINSON.....	50.00	MISS E. MCFARLAND..	10.00
JAS. CASSIDY.....	50.00	MRS. C. MALI.....	10.00
C. B. TATHAM.....	25.00	WM. MELDRUM.....	10.00
J. B. BLOSSOM.....	25.00	H. S. MANNING.....	10.00
GEO. B. ARCHER.....	25.00	E. CROMWELL.....	10.00
I. H. CARY, Jr.....	25.00	MRS. B. F. SEAVER...	10.00
J. H. FROTHINGHAM...	25.00	S. H. SEAMAN.....	10.00
W. C. GARDNER.....	25.00	MRS. J. ATKINS.....	5.00
F. HATHAWAY.....	25.00	H. W. CALEF.....	5.00
H. R. HOUGH.....	25.00	B. F. DELANO.....	5.00
SAM'L HARDING.....	25.00	S. N. HOYT.....	5.00
JAS. LITTLEJOHN.....	25.00	S. V. LOWELL.....	5.00
R. H. MANNING.....	25.00	J. E. MILLER.....	5.00
B. F. MUNROE.....	25.00	J. P. POWERS.....	5.00
MRS. THOS. PROSSER..	25.00	CAPT. PUTNAM.....	5.00
H. PUTNAM.....	25.00	S. QUINCY, Jr.....	5.00
D. C. ROBBINS.....	25.00	J. W. WARD.....	5.00
R. W. ROPES.....	25.00	MRS. J. R. HUDSON...	4.00
R. F. SMITH.....	25.00	F. V. T. MAXWELL....	4.00
A. T. WHITE.....	25.00	B. W. D.....	4.00
J. F. WHITNEY.....	25.00	MISS A. MAXWELL....	2.00
G. C. BRACKETT.....	20.00	“ S. W. SMITH....	2.00
ELI ROBBINS.....	20.00	“ S. F. THOMPSON..	2.00

## ANNUAL MEMBERS.

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The following named persons have become Members of the Union, according to Article II. of the Constitution, which reads, "Any person may become a member of this Union by subscribing to the Constitution and paying One Dollar annually, which shall become due on the third Tuesday of November of each year."

Mrs. James M. Allen,  
 Hersey Brown,  
 Stanton Beebe,  
 Mrs. Stanton Beebe,  
 W. C. Benedict,  
 William Baxter,  
 Mrs. William Baxter,  
 William A. Butler,  
 David Baker,  
 C. H. Bass,  
 Mrs. C. H. Bass,  
 W. V. Bloor,  
 John Brown,  
 Mrs. Clarke,  
     " A. W. Clarke,  
     " E. S. Conklin,  
 H. P. Crozier,  
 Peter Crone,  
 John F. Desmazes,  
 Mrs. John F. Desmazes,  
     " S. M. Doty,  
 Gus. Drew,  
 Frank Ernst,  
 Robert I. Frothingham,  
 Mrs. " " "  
 Edward T. Fisher,  
 Thomas Gardner,  
 Henry Glover,

Edward Graves,  
 Mrs. Edward Graves,  
 D. B. Gardner,  
 Mrs. H. L. Hillard,  
 Miss Hicks,  
 G. R. Hudson,  
 Fred. Hussey,  
 Mrs. Fred. Hussey,  
 S. M. Hall,  
 Miss Mary Haviland,  
 Mrs. J. K. Jewett,  
 Miss Carrie Jewett,  
 Henry A. Johnson,  
 J. J. Keese,  
 Mrs. H. Low,  
 Miss Emma Low,  
 Mrs. Stephen Loines,  
 J. P. Lord,  
 Mrs. E. H. R. Lyman,  
 A. J. Leffingwell,  
 William Meldrum,  
 L. Messellon,  
 Mrs. C. Mali,  
 Alfred Marsh,  
 F. V. T. Maxwell,  
 Miss Agnes Maxwell,  
 Michael Mahon,  
 William Morris,

Mrs. Payson,  
John Partridge,  
Miss Sarah Russell,  
Sylvester Swain,  
Homer Sabin,  
Miss Louise Sheldon,  
Peter M. Sherwood,  
T. Stanynought,  
Miss Carry Tisdale,

Mrs. Mary E. Tatham,  
Miss Mary Walley,  
E. M. Wheeler,  
Fred'k Worth,  
W. G. Wever,  
Miss M. A. Whitmore,  
" A. A. Whitmore,  
Fred'k Werner,  
E. E. White.

## LIFE MEMBERS.

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The following named persons have become *Life Members* of this *Union*, according to Art. II. of the *Constitution*, which reads, "On the payment of *Twenty-Five Dollars* at any one time, any person may become a *Life Member*."

Mrs. E. Anthony,  
 E. H. Arnold,  
 Geo. B. Archer,  
 Joshua Atkins,  
 William P. Beale,  
 James A. Barrett,  
 John C. Beale,  
 M. B. Bryant,  
 E. H. Brown,  
 Geo. E. Brown,  
 R. S. Brown,  
 James B. Blossom,  
 Isaac F. Bloodgood,  
 Josiah B. Blossom,  
 Mrs. Josiah B. Blossom,  
 Joseph R. Blossom,  
 F. A. Blossom,  
 J. F. Barnard,  
 D. D. Badger,  
 Geo. W. Baxter,  
 Mrs. Geo. W. Baxter,  
 " A. T. Baxter,  
 Rev. Henry W. Bellows,  
 Chester Billings,  
 S. T. Clarke,  
 James Cassidy,  
 H. R. Cone,

George S. Cary,  
 Mrs. William H. Cary,  
 Miss Alice B. Cary,  
 Nath. H. Cary,  
 Isaac H. Cary, Jr.  
 H. B. Claffin,  
 Rev. S. H. Camp,  
 Mrs. S. H. Camp,  
 S. B. Chittenden,  
 E. Crowell,  
 Wm. Duval,  
 William H. Cromwell,  
 Edward Cromwell,  
 Edward Dodge,  
 Henry E. Dodge,  
 C. M. Dennison,  
 E. A. Doty,  
 Reuben Daniel,  
 J. W. Emery,  
 Mrs. J. W. Emery,  
 Geo. B. Elkins,  
 John W. Frothingham,  
 Isaac H. Frothingham,  
 Robert Foster,  
 Mrs. Robert Foster,  
 Chas. Field,  
 Charles S. Farley,

Chas. P. Gerrish,  
 S. W. Green,  
 William C. Gardner,  
 F. Hathaway,  
 R. D. Hart,  
 Rev. Geo. H. Hepworth,  
 E. B. Hyde,  
 Isaac Hyde, Jr.  
 Harry Hyde,  
 D. B. Halstead,  
 H. R. Hough,  
 Samuel Harding,  
 W. B. Kendall,  
 E. G. Kelley,  
 A. A. Low,  
 J. O. Low,  
 Henry Low,  
 James Littlejohn,  
 Duncan Littlejohn,  
 E. H. R. Lyman,  
 Mrs. E. H. R. Lyman,  
 J. M. Leavitt,  
 John J. Merritt,  
 E. S. Mills,  
 R. H. Manning,  
 J. E. Miller,  
 W. H. Miller,  
 Miss Agnes McFarland,  
 Mrs. C. Mali,  
 B. F. Munroe,  
 James S. Noyes,  
 S. B. Noyes,  
 C. N. Nickerson,  
 John Norton, Jr.  
 H. Nesmith,  
 J. Nesmith,  
 Geo. M. Olcott,  
 T. Ovington,  
 E. D. Plimpton,

Rev. A. P. Putnam,  
 James M. Parker,  
 J. H. Pittinger,  
 Thos. Prosser,  
 Mrs. Thos. Prosser,  
 Harry Putnam,  
 Samuel Quincy,  
 D. C. Robbins,  
 Ripley Ropes,  
 Reuben W. Ropes,  
 F. R. Ropes,  
 A. G. Ropes,  
 Geo. C. Robinson,  
 J. P. Robinson,  
 Walter Richmond,  
 Eli Robbins,  
 I. F. Raymond,  
 Morris Reynolds,  
 J. W. Stearns,  
 Philander Shaw,  
 Robt. F. Smith,  
 W. R. Sheldon,  
 Thos. P. Salter,  
 W. S. Tisdale,  
 Charles B. Tatham,  
 Peter G. Taylor,  
 Mrs. Theo. Vietor,  
 F. W. Vietor,  
 C. H. Vietor,  
 Alex. M. White,  
 William A. White,  
 G. G. White,  
 A. S. White,  
 A. T. White,  
 H. H. Worden,  
 Thos. Webster,  
 J. F. Whitney,  
 F. Woodruff.



## Donation of Books, &c., for 1874.

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Chas. N. Barnard.....	10	Vol.
Mrs. Brigham.....	39	"
"    Hale .....	42	"
Chas. Walton.....	30	"
R. P. S. Webster.....	Drawing Materials.	
Mrs. S. S. Boggs.....	Books, Pamphlets, Clothing, &c.	



## Standing Committees, 1874 & '75.

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### Finance.

S. SWAIN,  
W. C. GARDNER,  
I. H. CARY, Jr.

### Executive.

I. H. CARY, Jr.,  
D. B. HALSTEAD,  
S. SWAIN.

### Employment.

J. T. TUBBY,  
W. C. GARDNER,  
Miss F. HULL.

### Lectures and Addresses.

Rev. A. P. PUTNAM,  
“ H. R. NYE,  
Mrs. A. C. FIELD.

### Library and Amusements.

Rev. S. H. CAMP,  
J. R. BLOSSOM,  
Miss F. HULL.

### Generolence.

Mrs. F. HUSSEY,  
Miss E. JENKINS,  
Mrs. A. C. FIELD.





